

CHURCH FEDERATION IN ANNUAL SESSION

First Meeting Held in the Hall
of the Y. M. C. A.

DR. BUTLER PRAISES CONGRESS

Declares the Senate and House to Be
Representative Bodies of God-
Fearing Americans—Church Work
Discussed.

The second annual conference of the National Federation of Churches and Christian Workers began its session in this city in the hall of the Young Men's Christian Association, Seventeenth and G Streets northwest, at 10 o'clock this morning.

The meeting was merely for the purpose of welcoming the visitors and introducing the work which is to be done.

The Rev. T. S. Hamlin, D. D., pastor of the Church of the Covenant, opened the session with brief devotional exercises.

Dr. Butler's Address.

The Rev. John G. Butler, D. D., pastor of the Luther Memorial Church, then delivered the opening address. In his remarks he said that, as he understood it, the purpose of the Federation was to vocalize the influences of the church. The Christian people of this country, he said, could easily rule the National Legislature if they only asserted their power.

Praise for Congress.

In spite of the oft-repeated assertions concerning the corruption of members of Congress, Dr. Butler stated that from personal contact with them he believed these gentlemen to be a representative body of God-fearing Americans.

Work of the Federation.

The Rev. L. C. Barnes, D. D., pastor of the First Baptist Church of Pittsburg, and president of the Federation of Churches in that city, then delivered an address on "The Possible and Impossible in Church Federation."

Social Work of Churches.

Dr. E. W. Warren, of New York, and the Rev. Alfred Tyler, D. D., president of the Marietta College, discussed "How the Churches Can Unite in Social Work." The Rev. John Hancock, D. D., of New York, then delivered a talk on "Church Federation and the Poor."

ASPHALT ON M STREET.

The Barber Paving Company Will Be
Asked to Replace It.

The Barber Asphalt Paving Company recently addressed the District Commissioners, requesting that they be not required to make repairs under their five-year guarantee to that portion of the pavement on M Street between Thirty-sixth and Thirty-seventh Streets northwest, which was occupied by the temporary tracks of the Capital Traction Company.

A SUIT BETWEEN NEIGHBORS.

Mrs. Van Why Seeks \$5,000 for Alleged Damages to Property.

Mrs. Marianna M. Van Why today filed suit against John Schneider and Ferdinand T. Schneider, as executors under the will of Louis H. Schneider, deceased, to recover \$5,000 claimed as damages done to the plaintiff's property, 1044 Massachusetts Avenue northwest.

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WEATHER INDICATIONS.



Watch-out weather.

Fills one with
sage thoughts on the fall of man.
How easy 'tis to fall and what pity
'tis 'tis true, and a few more out of
the same deck. You know how easy
'twas for an esteemed contemporary
to fall to the four-lions-at-a-birth
story. We mentioned something
about this yesterday, in our cheery
way. By rights, we shouldn't say any
more about it. But it's too good to
forget. Then there's the fall of hope
experienced by the citizen who has
been figuring on street extensions.

"Nay, nay, Pauline," saith the District Committee.

"No improvements
till we put a personal tax on your
back." So! Well, we knew, of course,
that we'd get no relief from the li-
quid mud nuisance. We knew we'd
have to go on smearing the sediment
on the children's bread and making
them believe 'twas New Orleans molasses. We knew we'd have to con-
tinue cleaning the snow off our side-
walks and wading elbow-deep through
the streets where no attempt is made
by the authorities to remove the slush.
But we had thought we'd get our new
and needed streets through. Further
lamentations of Tom and Jeremiah!

Probably snow tonight. Wednesday fair;

fresh west winds.

TEMPERATURE.

Temperature at 9 a. m. 14

Temperature at 12 noon 27

Temperature at 1:30 p. m. 25

THE SUN AND THE MOON.

Sun rises: 7:04 A. M. | Sun sets: 5:24 P. M.

Moon rises: 3:24 A. M. | Moon sets: 1:00 P. M.

THE TIDE TABLE.

High tide: 2:02 A. M. and 2:08 P. M.

Low tide: 4:04 A. M. and 3 P. M.

STREET LIGHTING.

Lamps lit today: 6:03 P. M.

Lamps out tomorrow: 6:12 A. M.

AMUSEMENTS.

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POLICEMAN'S DEATH ADJUDGED SUICIDE

Coroner's Jury Gives Certifi-
cate in Berryman Case.

REASON FOR THE ACT UNKNOWN

Formal Charges Filed at Head-
quarters Were of But Trivial Nature
Growing Out of Trouble Over a
Dangerous Dog.

A certificate of death by suicide was
issued this morning by Acting Coroner
Glazebrook in the case of Policeman
Eppie Henry Berryman, who shot him-
self shortly after 10 o'clock last night
at his home, 456 K Street southwest. He
died almost instantly.

Berryman was a native of Virginia,
where he was born September 28, 1872.
Previous to being appointed on the
police force, August 23, 1898, he was a
conductor on one of the local street rail-
ways. Since that time he has done duty
in the Sixth, Eighth, and Third precincts,
being attached to the latter at the time
of his death.

Informed of Charges.

Policeman Berryman called at Police
Headquarters yesterday afternoon and
was shown the charges against him by
Chief Clerk Kemp. These charges were
the danger of trouble with a colored
family over a dangerous dog and were
considered of a trivial nature. It is be-
lieved that there was some other motive
underlying the fatal attempt upon his
life.

NEWS FROM GEORGETOWN.

Professor Janney Says There Is
Great Need for Charity Now.

Prof. B. T. Janney, representing George-
town on the Board of Associated Char-
ities, appeals to the people of the West
End, on behalf of the destitute of that
section, for aid. A careful canvass of the
town has disclosed the fact that about one
hundred families are in destitute circum-
stances. The present cold weather has
affected the poor in numbers. According
to Mr. Janney, destitution is on the in-
crease. Never was such an opportunity
given the generous-hearted to aid the un-
fortunate. Cast-off garments, left at the
local office. Thirty-second and Prospect
Streets, will bring much comfort to the
thirty-four, who are appealing there daily
for help. The Association's agent is
most careful in her investigations and
recommends none but those deserving and
in some need of the necessities of life.
Bread, groceries, or money are solicited
by the Association.

Prof. Janney states that he regrets to
be forced to acknowledge that so far
Georgetown's destitute have been supported
practically on the contributions not of
Georgetown people, but of Washingtonians
generally. Some local help, of course,
has been given, but not enough to meet
the needs of the worthy but unfortunate.
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POLE PERMIT REFUSED.

Telephone Company Wanted to
Erect Forty-six of Them.

Mr. A. B. Duval, the City Solicitor, to-
day submitted to the District Commis-
sioners an opinion upon the application
of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone
Company for a permit to erect forty-six
poles on Sargent Road, between Basin
Road and the District line, and to string
the wires thereon from the American Tel-
ephone and Telegraph Company's test
station on Bunker Hill Road.

The opinion rendered by the company
was to the effect that the Commissioners
had authority to issue the permit under
the general provisions of the law, and
reference is made to the case of Nolan vs.
Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Com-
pany.

Mr. Duval says the only question ad-
judicated in that case was that the Com-
missioners had authority to issue permits
to the telephone company for the purpose
of making necessary house connections
from cables, poles and existing overhead
trunk lines outside of the city limits.

The Solicitor says further that the present
application is not for a permit to
string wires to make such house connec-
tions, and he states that he is of the opinion
that the Commissioners are without
authority to grant the desired permit.

MR. BRAUNS TO SUPERVISE.

Will Have Charge of Building Pump-
ing Station, Which He Planned.

Capt. Chester Harding, assistant to the
Engineer Commissioner, has submitted a
statement to the District Commissioners
recommending that Mr. Henry Brauns, of
Baltimore, be engaged to supervise the
construction of the Trumbull Street pump-
ing station.

Capt. Harding states that Mr. Brauns
was the successful competitor in pre-
paring plans for the station and that
compensation of 3 per cent of the cost of
the portion of the building designed by
him was allowed. Captain Harding says
that this did not involve a supervision
of the work.

Capt. Harding is of the opinion that
in building of the magnitude of the
pumping station inspection should be
regularly made by an experienced archi-
tect, and he recommends that Mr. Brauns
be assigned to that duty with compensa-
tion at 1 per cent of the cost of the
building, this compensation being based
upon the completion of the building within
the contract time.

AWARDED \$2,500 DAMAGES.

Result of Suit Over the Death of
Timothy O'Connor.

In the suit of Mr. Crandal Mackey, ad-
ministrator of the estate of Timothy
O'Connor, deceased, against Messrs. John
A. and Charles F. Schneider, trading as
C. A. Schneider & Sons, builders and con-
tractors, to recover \$10,000 as damages
accruing from the death of Mr. O'Connor,
the jury awarded the plaintiff \$2,500.

Mr. O'Connor was an iron worker, and
was employed by the defendant in the
construction of the new Government
Printing Office building. On September 27,
1900, while at work, assisting in hoisting
a heavy iron beam, one of the pulley ropes
broke and the beam fell and struck Mr.
O'Connor. He died on the following day
from his injuries.

The hearing in the suit was begun last
Tuesday before Justice Claiborne in Cir-
cuit Court No. 2. Messrs. Mackey &
Mackey represented the plaintiff.

NEW JURORS REPORT.

Several Talesmen Excused, Postpon-
ing Organization Till Tomorrow.

The persons summoned to serve as
grand and petit jurors, in the Supreme
Court of the District, reported for duty
this morning, in the different branches of
the court to which they were assigned.
Several of the talesmen of each panel
were excused from serving, and the jury
commissioners were instructed to sum-
mon extra talesmen to fill the vacancies.
These will report for duty tomorrow,
when it is expected the several juries will
be finally organized.

BASS HEARING DELAYED.

Caused by Absence of Judge Alvey,
Who Is Ill.

On account of the absence of Chief Jus-
tice Alvey, argument in the case of the
Rev. Lisbon B. Bass, which was to be-
gin this morning in the Court of Ap-
peals for the District, was postponed.
Mr. Alvey is confined to his home by a
severe cold. It is expected, however,
that he will be able to be on the bench
in a day or two.

Promotions in the Postoffice.

Postmaster Merritt, of the City Post-
office, has appointed Mr. James M. Britt
as clerk at an annual salary of \$1,100, to
take effect on February 1 last. Mr.
George C. Cole was promoted from sub-
stitute to clerk, at an annual salary of
\$900, and Thomas W. Thomas was
promoted from \$600 to \$700.

To Examine Mental Conditions.

The District Commissioners, through
Assistant City Solicitor A. Leftwich Sin-
clair, have filed petitions in the Supreme
Court of the District asking that the
mental condition of the following named
persons be investigated: Jane Owens,
Alfred Gaskins, Cora Briggs, Mary Ashe,
John Payne, James B. Gormley, Louisa
Young, Seth Edwards, L. O. Dowdy.

Annual Sale of Fish Wharf.

Commissioner Macfarland forth-
warded to his associates a copy of a no-
tice for the annual sale of the fish wharf
to take place March 1, 1902, at 3 o'clock
in the afternoon. He moved that the
same be published according to the re-
quirements of law.

Hurt in Falling From a Car.

Mr. A. K. Weeks fell from a Capital
Traction car, which he was endeavoring
to board at the corner of Fifteenth and
G Streets northwest, about 10 o'clock last
night and cut his hand somewhat. Mr.
Weeks is twenty-eight years old and lives
at 943 K Street northwest.

Two Women Injured While Walking Along the Street.

Mrs. Mary Monroe, of 214 Fourteenth
Street southwest, fell on the icy side-
walk on D Street between Seventh and
Eighth Streets southwest about 9 o'clock
this morning and, striking on the back
of her head, sustained a painful injury.
She was removed to her home in the
patrol wagon. Mrs. Monroe is sixty years
old.

Mrs. George W. Evans, sixty years old,
of 221 Pennsylvania Avenue northwest,
fell on the sidewalk in front of the Saks
stores about 9:30 o'clock this morning
and received a slight injury to the hip.
She was removed to the Emergency Hos-
pital in her ambulance.

A Colored Infant's Sudden Death.

Willie Adams, a two-months old col-
ored child, died without medical attention
about 4:30 o'clock this morning at 225
3 Street southwest. The Acting Coroner
has been notified.

Marriage Licenses Issued.

Joseph Davis and Kate Carroll.
Robert M. Bonis and Mary E. Veresox.
Michael McGinley, Boston, Mass., and
Maggie O'Dea, District of Columbia.
Henry M. Sparrough and Marcy C.
Welch.

BULLETS WHIZZED AT FIRE IN THE ARMOY

Early Morning Blaze Might
Have Been Disastrous.

FLAMES NEAR STORE OF POWDER

Firemen Compelled to Use Extreme
Caution in Extinguishing Fire in
Centre Market Building.

Fire in a room above the Centre Mar-
ket, on the Seventh Street side, about
2:30 o'clock this morning, caused about
\$300 damage.

The room is used as an office by the
armorer of the District militia, and sev-
eral thousand cartridges, used for rifle
practice in the galleries, were in the
lockers on the side of the room. It is
the general supposition that these shells
were ignited in some manner and caused
the fire to originate in the lockers.

In the room adjoining the armorer's
room were stored several kegs of powder
and several thousand loaded and empty
cartridges. Had the flames reached this
room, it is probable that the entire
building would have been wrecked.

In lighting the fire the firemen were
compelled to be extremely cautious, as
hundreds of bullets were flying through
the windows and doors. When an en-
trance had been effected a quantity of
powder and several hundred shells ex-
ploded, and the men were compelled
to retreat and wait until the explosions
had ceased.

The loss on the building will amount to
\$150 and on the office furniture and am-
munition the loss will amount to about
the same.

FUNERAL OF MR. STEWART.

Services to Be Held at 3 o'clock
Tomorrow Afternoon.

The funeral of Mr. Thomas Corwin
Stewart, who superintended the construc-
tion of the new city Postoffice building,
has been postponed from today until to-
morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. The ser-
vices will be held in the Eastern Presby-
terian Church, the Rev. Dr. Thomas Chalmers,
pastor of the church, officiating.